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## REMARKS

In the Decision mailed January 25, 2005, the Board of Appeals noted that claims 9-14, 14-24, 26-36 and 38-44 were pending. Claims 9, 21 and 33 have been amended and, thus, in view of the foregoing claims 9-14, 14-24, 26-36 and 38-44 remain pending for reconsideration which is requested. No new matter has been added. The Boards rejection is traversed below.

In the Decision the Board issued a new rejection of all claims under 35 U.S.C. §112 paragraph 2 as indefinite. The claims have been amended in consideration of the Board's comments and it is submitted they satisfy the requirements of the statute. Withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

It is submitted that the claims satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112. The claims are therefore in a condition suitable for allowance. An early Notice of Allowance is requested.

If any further fees, other than and except for the issue fee, are necessary with respect to this paper, the U.S.P.T.O. is requested to obtain the same from deposit account number 19-3935.

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